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This weekly electronic newsletter is designed to keep you current on California Water Plan news. We welcome comments, suggestions and any news tips that may be of interest to water planners.

Guidelines and PSP released for Water **Energy Grant Program**

DWR has released the final guidelines and proposal solicitaiton package (PSP) for the 2014 Water-Energy Grant Program. Three workshops will be held to provide general assistance in preparing proposals. The first



workshop will be Tuesday, Oct. 28, in Sacramento. Proposals are due by Friday, Dec. 12.

Forum takes on issues flowing around the Sacramento River Watershed

The annual State of the Sacramento River Watershed Forum is set for Thursday, Oct. 30, in Sacramento. It will focus on current watershed issues including groundwater legislation, managing for droughts, and investing in watershed services. Members of the Public Policy Institute of California will serve as the opening panel.

CBC to look at advanced integrated regional planning partnership The next meeting of the California Biodiversity Council (CBC) will include discussion of a potential partnership to advance integrated regional planning in California. The council's executive committee will recommend aligning with the Strategic Growth Council to develop regional conservation priority maps. The meeting will be Wednesday, Oct. 29, in Davis. Online registration is available.

Making the economic case for measures that can reduce wildfires

The Mokelumne Watershed Avoided Cost Analysis shows that the economic benefits of landscape-scale fuel reduction far outweigh the costs of wildfire. The findings are outlined in the report, Why Sierra Fuel Treatments Make Economic Sense. The U.S. Forest Service, The Nature Conservancy, and the Sierra Nevada Conservancy contributed to the report.

Flood warning system workshop offered this month in Washington The National Hydrologic Warning Council is offering a flood warning system workshop this month in Grand Mound, Washington. It is designed for providing a better understanding of hydrologic warning system benefits in managing flood risk. The workshop will be Oct. 21 and 22. Online registration is available.



Overdue earthquakes could pose a threat to state's water supply A new report names three Northern California faults that are overdue for an earthquake that could pose a risk to California's water supply. The list includes the Green Valley fault between Napa and Fairfield, which is near dams and canals. The study was done by researchers from the U.S. Geological Survey and San Francisco State University. It was published in the Bulletin of the Seismological Society of America.